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Football coach leaves UNO for Illinois State

J. PARKER ADAIR
Sports editor

For the past three years, Jim Williams has helped make UNO's football team into an offensive powerhouse. Next year the team may have to adjust to a new system.

Williams, the offensive coordinator/running backs coach, accepted a position Wednesday with Illinois State University.

In each of the last three seasons, the Maverick offense has seen a change. They have gone from a ground-dominant attack to one with more passing than UNO was previously used to. People have been calling the system "Air" Behrns after Head Coach Pat Behrns.

Perhaps they should have been calling it "Air" Williams, as the running backs coach was the one calling the plays. The coaching staff has tailored the offense around its players. Receiving weapons Ryan Krause and Chris Denney has made it easier to advance the ball downfield. With the play of Justin Kamrad at running back, the team was ranked sixth in NCAA Division II in rushing offense and 13th in total offense.

Williams coached Kamrad to become a consensus Division II All-American and finish third in Harlon Hill Trophy voting. The Harlon Hill is given to the Division II player of the year.

Now, Williams leaves a Division II program he



Jim Williams

has helped to turn around, and he heads to a Division I-AA program that's needs to be turned around. The Redbirds finished 6-6 last season and are in the Gateway Conference.

Williams graduated from New Mexico State in 1990 and is a native of Altoona, Kan. He will take over the running backs coaching duties on Head Coach Denver Johnson's staff.

Behrns said in a statement that he hopes to have a replacement named before the start of spring practice. The Mavericks open spring drills March 23 and will finish with the annual spring game April 16.

Omaha artist's work showcases her life

KIMBERLY BRYANT
News editor

Omaha artist Wanda Ewing presented "The Educated Outsider," a slide show of her work, followed by a question and answer session on Wednesday as part of UNO's Black History Month celebration. The Women's Studies program, Cultural Awareness programs, the department of Art and Art History and the UNO Goodrich program sponsored the presentation.

The presentation, which took place in the Eppley Administration Building's auditorium, focused on Ewing's printmaking pieces.

Because she was born and raised in Omaha, the events she experienced had an effect on her work, which she considered to be autobiographical.

Ewing attended UNL for two years, then went on to earn her bachelor's degree in Fine Arts at the San Francisco Art Institute and master's degrees in Fine Arts and Printmaking from the University of Iowa.

"The subject that I chose was just my personal experience. Actually, it turned into how I felt when I was living in Omaha," she said in regards to a thesis project she completed while at the San Francisco Art Institute. "And this is going from when I was growing up, junior high, high school, I'm dealing with issues of feeling marginalized within the black community as well as with other races."

Her works, which number in the hundreds, encompassed periods within

her life such as racial issues within and outside the black race, interracial dating, self-image issues, crisis of religion, stereotypes and sexuality.

Throughout the evolution of her work, she moved to doing self-portraits of herself.

"I started putting a likeness of myself into my work. It's not exact, but you know, you can tend to tell it's me."

Self-portraits of her work included "Hairdos," which is a collection of 103 self-portraits with a diverse range of hairstyles and "Invisible," which dealt with the notion of being passed over. "Big Woman, Little Dress," a humorous portrait that dealt with her frustration about not being able to fit in a dress that said it was her size, yet it wasn't, was also featured.

She recounted struggles she had in the past while going to school in San Francisco. Despite those struggles, she considered it a happy time in her life.

She considered one of her paintings, "The Blue Room," made during her last year at the art institute, to be bittersweet because it was her last year at the San Francisco Art Institute.

"It was a bittersweet moment because [it was] my last year, I'm finally going to get my bachelor's, at the same time I was living in a house I'd like to call 'The Petrie Dish,'" she said. "I had four male roommates and three cats. My car broke down; I was on the other side of town. It wasn't very good... It was hellish, but at the same time I was very happy."

Ewing's work can be seen at the 13th Street Gallery at 1301 Nicholas St.

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CARLSEN ERA COMES TO AN END



photo by Chris Machian

UNO women's basketball Head Coach Lisa Carlsen resigns her position after coaching the team for four years. Carlsen made her decision after consulting with her husband, Chris.

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UNO wrestlers take second in conference

J. PARKER ADAIR
Sports editor

Mike Denney's UNO wrestling team fell just six points short of taking back-to-back North Central Conference titles. A win over Augustana and a loss to North Dakota State this past weekend, put them second.

UNO heavyweight Les Sigman came up big with a win over Augustana Friday night to boost the Mavs past the Vikings. That set up a battle for the NCC championship with No. 1 North Dakota State Saturday.

With UNO down 16-10 Friday, UNO's Ben Strandberg came to the mat. His 4-3 decision was enough to give Sigman a shot at winning the dual for the Mavs. A decision by Sigman would tie the dual. A major decision, technical fall or a pin would give the Mavs the win. The heavyweight delivered with a 16-5 major decision.

The next evening, the Mavs held a 13-12 advantage over the Bison in Fargo, before NDSU charged back in the final two matches. Wins by No. 1 Paul Carlson over UNO's Chas DeVetter at 157 pounds and No. 3 Mike Fielder of NDSU over No. 4 J.D. Naig at 165 gave the Bison the dual win, an undefeated season and the NCC title.

UNO finishes their dual record at 10-3 (4-1 NCC) while NDSU finishes 14-0 (5-0 NCC). Both teams will compete this weekend at the NCAA North Regional in St. Cloud, Minn. The Sunday tournament is the qualifier for the NCAA tournament March 12th.

News briefs around UNO

COMPILED BY VALERIE CUTSHALL

Features editor

Inaugural Student Parent Network Meeting March 1

All UNO student parents are invited to attend a Student Parent Network meeting March 1 at UNO. Children are welcome.

The Student Parent Network is a new organization intended to serve the needs of UNO students who have children or are expecting babies. The first organizational meeting will be held March 1 from noon to 1 p.m. in the Milo Bail Student Center State Room.

Additional information is available on the Web at <http://www.unomaha.edu/~stparent/spn.htm>.

For more information, contact Laura Grams at 554-2629 or lgrams@mail.unomaha.edu, or Judy Harrington at 554-2874 or jharrington@mail.unomaha.edu.

Book Drive for Open Door Mission ends March 12

The Early Childhood Education group in the UNO College of Education is sponsoring a book drive for the Open Door Mission through March 12. Donations of new or nearly new books in good condition are sought.

The drive is being held in conjunction with a service-learning course taught by Dora Chen on current trends. Green collection boxes have been set up in the following locations: Room 522 in Kayser Hall, Room 310 in Roskens Hall and Student Programming Office, which is located on the first floor of the Milo Bail Student Center. For more information, contact Lindsay Rogers at 933-5538 or lrogers@unomaha.edu, or Dr. Chen at dorachen@mail.unomaha.edu.

Volunteers wanted for community outreach program

Do you want to meet new people and help your community? The Service-Learning Academy is looking for volunteers for the "Seven Days of

Service: Home is the Heart of the Community" outreach program.

Volunteers will help rehabilitate, paint and clean houses in partnership with Family Housing Advisory Services.

Service Learning Academy volunteers will meet from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. March 13; March 15; and March 20.

Contact Hartman-Kurtz at 554-2427 for more information.

UNMC seeks participants for research studies

The University of Nebraska Medical Center is currently seeking individuals who experience anxiety and/or depression for participation in a series of research studies.

Participants must meet the criteria for each study as highlighted below.

Individuals experiencing anxiety are sought to participate in a research study in the University of Nebraska Medical Center Department of Psychiatry. Participants must be between the ages of 19 and 65 and in good general medical health.

Senior citizens experiencing depression may be eligible to participate in a research study of an antidepressant medication being conducted by a UNMC physician in the UNMC Department of Psychiatry. Participants must be 60 years of age or older, in stable medical health and have been experiencing depression for at least a month.

All study procedures and medication are provided for each study. For more information, contact the Psychopharmacology Research Consortium at 354-6868.

Zoo membership discounts offered to UNO

The annual Henry Doorly Zoo membership drive is under way. The zoo is offering memberships to university employees and students at the annual rate of \$65 per household.

The membership includes unlimited admission for two adults and dependent children or grandchildren under age 21,

discounted admission to the Wildlife Safari and Lozier IMAX Theater, discounts on children's classes and more.

Memberships are \$65 until April 4 and \$73 after that date. For more information or to access an order form, click on the following link:

New Student Center computer lab hours

The computer lab in the Milo Bail Student Center Elmwood Room will be changing the lab hours effective Friday. The new lab hours are 7 a.m. to 3 a.m. Monday through Thursday, 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. Friday and 10 a.m. to midnight Saturday and Sunday. To access the entire schedule of open computer lab hours, visit <http://its.unomaha.edu/userrooms>. For more information about the new lab hours, contact John Adams at 554-2018 or jcadams@mail.unomaha.edu.

Outstanding Women of Color Awards Luncheon held on March 10

Local women of color will be honored at the second annual UNO Women of Color Awards Luncheon March 10. The local women will be awarded for their contributions to the arts / humanities, business/entrepreneurship, education, community service and youth leadership. The event will be held from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Scott Conference Center, 6450 Pine St.

The luncheon is open to the public. Tickets for the luncheon are \$25 per person and \$250 for organizations to reserve a table of 10.

Patricia Diaz Dennis, senior vice president and general counsel for SBC Pacific Bell/SBC Nevada Bell, will be the guest speaker. To access the luncheon registration form online, visit

<http://www.unomaha.edu/woc>.

The deadline for registration is March 3. For more information, call 554-2779.

Campus news briefs

KIMBERLY BRYANT

News editor

Feb. 18

4:02 p.m. Student reported theft of personal property from vehicle parked in Lot 6.

5:33 p.m. Student reported theft of their motor vehicle parked in Lot 4.

6:01 p.m. Student reported theft of personal property from Milo Bail Student Center.

Feb. 19

10:30 a.m. Student reported breaking and entering to personal vehicle parked at St. Margaret Mary's Church.

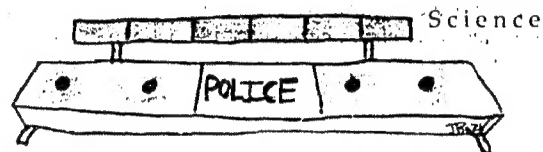
Feb. 20

4:10 p.m. Staff member reported theft of personal property from the University Village Clubhouse.

9:48 p.m. Campus Security officer identified violation of liquor laws and university policy.

Feb. 23

1:05 p.m. Student reported the theft of personal property from Durham Science



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UNO student struck by cruiser remains in critical condition

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Justin D. Nealon, a University of Nebraska at Omaha student who was critically injured after being struck by an Omaha Police cruiser, remains in critical condition, said a Creighton University Medical Center

spokesman Wednesday evening.

Nealon, 22, was hit after 3 a.m. Sunday near West Center Road and Industrial Road.

He was walking across West Center Road when the cruiser struck him. The cruiser was driven by Omaha police officer Brian McKenzie. The vehicle was

westbound on West Center Road from the intersection near Industrial Road.

The job status of McKenzie has not changed and the accident is still being investigated, said David Volenec, a public information officer for the Omaha Police Department.



I did it eBay

COMMENTARY BY JOE OWENS

Staff writer

I think I have finally realized two basic things in life. The first is that everything is for sale and the second is that there is always someone willing to buy what you are selling.

By now, everyone has either bought or sold something on Ebay, or at least perused the pages of the worldwide leader in online auctioning. There is no limit to what you will find, nor a limit to what people will pay for the most ridiculous things.

New in box, used, mint condition, still in the plastic with all accessories, batteries not included, sold as is, all sales are final, shipping not included. A neapolitan assortment of trinkets, gadgets, thingamajigs and whatchamacallits wait at the click of a button.

But how much are you willing to pay?

One man's trash is another man's treasure. Broken Sony Playstation 2's and Microsoft XBOXs go for as high as \$90, only to be fixed and resold again on the pages of the EBay auctioning monster.

Cell phones, PDAs, books and even automobiles all have a place on EBay. A treasure trove of items is available for bidding. Or for the impatient folks, a "Buy it now" feature has been created, in which the auctioneer can set a specific price for the buyer to pay and end the auction immediately.

Once the transaction is final, the buyer and seller go their separate ways after a cyberspace handshake in the form of positive feedback for a deal gone smoothly. Or an unpleasant net-gesture by leaving negative feedback to vent frustrations if the transaction doesn't go as planned.

And really, how can you deny the marketing of EBay? The man in the elevator singing about his jar really sums up the overall experience of EBay. Like the commercial or hate it, it still piques your curiosity, if even just a little. C'mon, you know you want to see if you can find a copy of REO Speedwagon's *Ridin' the Storm Out* vinyl from 1973.

Now if you will excuse me, I need to see if I won a pair of mint condition, still in the box, never been worn pair of size 12 Mr. T house slippers. How cool would that be?

UNO students have a taste for Noodle Zoo Café

REVIEW BY JESSICA RIAL

Staff writer

Bob Monkey's Noodle Zoo Café and Catering, located east of the Dundee Theatre on 50th and Dodge Streets, opened Feb. 16.

The Noodle Zoo specializes in preparing zesty-pasta dishes, sandwiches, soups and salads. The Zoo makes lunchtime easy with flavorful eat-in and carryout items.

"The concept of the café is to provide uncommonly good food in an interesting dining atmosphere," said Laura Jost, Noodle Zoo owner.

Nutritional science major Jeff Barrand began training at Noodle Zoo one week before it opened.

"It's great food and a great environment," he said. "I love the way the café looks in the evening."

All menu items are prepared fresh from original recipes. Franchise owner Verlene Vanderpool began Noodle Zoo in Des Moines after 22 years of experience in catering and

food preparation.

Jost and her husband, Mark, brought the franchise to Dundee to change the experience of lunchtime dining. Laura believes the café's eclectic décor, which features a hand-painted floor, exotic-floral arrangements, and vibrant artwork, is a perfect match for the area.

"It's nice to be part of something new," said Barrand. "The owners are great and the neighborhood is amazing."

The Zoo's most popular lunch combos include the Parmesan Grill and Bob's Basic Lunch. Each features a gourmet sandwich with your choice of turkey, beef or ham and is prepared with a parmesan sauce on specialty bread.

Bob's Basic comes with a bag of



photo by Jessica Rial

Laura Jost, owner of Noodle Zoo, prepares a specialty meal.

chips and costs \$4.95. The Parmesan Grill and all other specialty sandwiches come with your choice of homemade soup or house salad and cost anywhere from \$6.95 to \$7.50.

The Zoo also features noodle bowls, which are flavorful pasta dishes served with a house salad and focaccia bread for \$8.25.

To quench your thirst, the Zoo offers a wide variety of beverages including bottled domestic beers, wine, tea, specialty coffees and soda pop.

Dan Kresha, a UNO student, stopped for lunch at Noodle Zoo its opening week.

"Bob's Basic was great. I really liked the tasty sauce," said Kresha.

Laura said now is a great time to visit the Zoo. "Stop by and sample the dishes from our menu."

Noodle Zoo is open Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. and Saturday 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.



A specialty sandwich and salad at Bob Monkey's Noodle Zoo Cafe and Catering, located on 50th and Dodge Streets.

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Mel Gibson's film *Passion* lives up to its name

REVIEW BY A.M. WADE

Staff writer

One of the most popular criticisms of Mel Gibson's new film, other than the charges of anti-Semitism, is its extreme violence.

Many have complained the violence overshadows the character of Jesus and his teachings. The basic fallacy made by these critics is a linguistic misunderstanding. The title of the film is *The Passion of the Christ*. The word "passion" derives from the Latin word "passus," which means "to suffer." From the title on the marquee, audiences have only their own ignorance to blame for being surprised.

Gibson's film opens with no title card or credits, beginning with Jesus' temptation in the Garden of Gethsemane. Most *Passion* plays begin from Palm Sunday and move

forward, but in Gibson's vision, the action really begins at the arrest.

James Caviezel's Jesus, under Gibson's direction, is the grittiest Savior in the history of *Passion* films, with only Willem Dafoe running a close second. One must give Caviezel credit for his extensive memorization work to learn all his lines in Aramaic.

Most of his work in this piece is done through excellent use of movement and expression in the most tortured sequences; Jesus' most loquacious moments are not part of the film.

They are, however, used to juxtapose more peaceful memories of Jesus' life as a carpenter with the martyrdom he is about to endure. These moments serve best to illuminate Mary, mother of Jesus, played with

heart-rending tenderness by Maia Morgenstern. Gibson gives Mary an unusual amount of screen time, illustrating the most terrible pain imaginable — that of a mother forced to witness the torture of her child. In one flashback moment that can touch even the coldest skeptic, Mary remembers picking up her toddler son after a fall while she watches her grown son fall again and again on his march to Golgotha.

Gibson's moments of dark comedy are best expressed in his treatment of Judas who, after having betrayed Jesus, is hounded by street urchins who chase him into the countryside, biting and snapping at him like rats. The personification of demons and minions of the devil as children is an irony not to be missed. In their ringleader, we find the delicious surprise in this film is the masterful

work of Italian actress Rosalinda Celentano as Satan.

Finally, coming round to the single issue that has generated so much press about this film — is it anti-Semitic? No. To say this film is anti-Semitic is to not pay attention to cinematic and textual details. A discerning viewer can see there are dissenters among Caiaphas' camp, and that there are many people weeping and screaming during the arrest, trial, beating and crucifixion.

It is particularly interesting that no one of Roman extraction is complaining about the portrayal of Romans as juvenile and sadistic.

If anything, this film is an indictment of bureaucratic organizations running around with gigantic hats and the brutality of mob mentality.

Prize-winning *Buried Child* to be exhumed at UNO

A.M. WADE

Staff writer

As part of his graduate thesis project, UNO theater student Nick Zadina helms the next production on the UNO main stage, Sam Shepard's 1979 Pulitzer Prize-winning play *Buried Child*. With a seven-person ensemble cast, the play is a post-modern piece about a family functioning while hiding a shameful secret.

"This piece explores what it means to be in a family," Zadina said. "They don't know themselves and they don't understand each other, but the family keeps going through the same cycles, again and again, even while the patriarch, the authority figure, keeps changing."

Zadina was drawn to the work of

Shepard by the comedy of menace phenomenon.

"In 'comedy of menace,' everything one says and does is multi-layered," he said. "This script is so disjointed and stylized, without a comfortable flow. It is also very crisis-oriented, which keeps the audience on their toes."

Featuring UNO actors Matt Kelehan, Amanda Liebhart, Vincent Carlson, Jon Shaw, Greg Place, Anna Evans and Thomas Lowe, the complex familial relationships are delicately interwoven, with no incidental characters or wasted dialogue, while they talk around the pivotal and secret skeleton in this closet.

"This script isn't realist style at all," Lowe said. "It is darkly funny, in a creepy

way. There are mythic images that are familiar to everyone, and even oedipal issues. There is literally something out back that no one wants to talk about."

To add to the disjointed nature of the production, Steven Williams' set design, while familiar in some aspects, invades the comfortable vantage point of the audience.

"It is a standard stadium style theater, but cutting right through the middle of the audience is an aisle, which we are using as the stairwell of the house," Zadina said. "A number of important exchanges happen on that stairwell. It's an almost sacred spot to the family, and it is intrusive to the audience. It brings them into the story."

"The play was written in 1979, but

here it is 25 years later and it's still contemporary," Lowe said. "Shepherd did a couple of minor rewrites for the 1996 New York production, but they were just clarifying a little ambiguity. Family relationships haven't changed, and this one is still going through the same cycles, again and again, birth and death."

Performances are today and Saturday and March 3-6 in the theater, located in the Weber Fine Arts Building. Each performance will start at 7:30 p.m. An ASL-interpreted performance will be shown on Wednesday, March 3. Tickets are \$10 for the general public and \$8 for students and seniors. Tickets can be purchased at the box office or in advance by calling 554-2335.

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UNO is trying to make up for the budget cuts with a vast malfunctioning vending-machine conspiracy, Pisces! You must warn the people!

Aries (March 21-April 19)

Eat more veggies.

Taurus (April 20-May 20)

Yes, Taurus, it is just you.

**Gemini (May 21-June 20)**

You will discover you are part of a secret government clone project. A *Canadian* government clone project. Beware of the Canadians.

Cancer (June 21-July 23)

You will become obsessed with watching *Gigli* non-stop. It's like a train wreck, Cancer. You just can't look away.

Leo (July 24-Aug. 22)

There just are some fads that were meant to stay in the past. Wearing leg warmers is one of them.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

Monkeys will break your computer, Virgo. Then you will CRY.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

Remember, Libra, when your jokes fall flat, you can always blame the copy editor. The copy editor!

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

No one cares, Scorpio. No, really, they

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Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

You will marry a soul mate that is just as selfish, materialistic and soulless as you, Sagittarius! Ah, to live the American dream ...

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Sweep keeps men's title hopes alive

PAUL FREELAND

Senior staff writer

Home was finally sweet home for the Maverick men's basketball team as a home sweep put the Mavs in sight of a conference crown.

UNO followed a business-like 81-69 dismissal of North Dakota Friday with a 75-64 win over North Dakota State, who had been leading the North Central Conference for much of 2004. The victories put the Mavs alone in second place with an 8-4 league record, one game behind No. 3 South Dakota State.

Maverick Head Coach Kevin McKenna credited his team's defense, the Sapp Fieldhouse crowd and even the band.

"Defensively, this is probably the best we've played in back-to-back games," McKenna said. "I thought our press worked well and we got some turnovers. Our defensive intensity was up. Our crowd was a big boost and they helped give us some good atmosphere. I didn't see them myself, but I've had people tell me the band was in good form, too."

UNO held NDSU without a point for the first three minutes Saturday as the Mavs eventually pulled ahead by 20 points at 38-18. The Bison closed out the first half on a 10-0 run, though, cutting the Mavs' lead in half and subduing the 2,800 in attendance.

McKenna said his game management was a part of the Bison's revival.

"I did a poor job of controlling the pace and tempo," McKenna said. "We had a couple of bad turnovers that let [North Dakota State] back into the game. Then they cut it to six and their guys were taking dead aim, but full credit to our guys. They didn't flinch and they made some strong plays."

NDSU kept after the Mavericks after halftime and twice pulled to within six points,

but a six-minute stretch without a bucket squelched any hopes of a comeback.

Levy Jones led the Mavericks with 17 points while Tola Dada added 14 points and five rebounds and both Randy Bland and Andre Tarpley had 10 points. Ryan Curtis chipped in with four points, six rebounds and three blocked shots for UNO (18-7, 8-4).

It took a buzzer-beating shot for Mavs to leave Grand Forks, N.D., with a win in UNO and UND's last meeting, but no such heroics were required on Friday.

UNO weathered an early run from the Fighting Sioux at the start of the second half and pulled away late to seal the win.

Ty Graham paced the Mavs with 17 points, hitting four of five three-pointers, and six assists while Dada added 15 points and Tarpley and Calvin Kapels each had 10 points. UND's twin towers of Todd Rypkema and Evan Lindahl scored 28 and 16 points, respectively, but received little offensive support from their teammates. The Mavericks had 20 offensive rebounds to UND's four and outscored the visitors 25-2 off of turnovers.

McKenna said his team's weekend success set the table for next weekend's showdown with South Dakota State.

"These were big games for us," McKenna said. "They gave us a chance and that's the main thing right now. South Dakota State is a great team with a lot of pride and a lot of veterans. We'll have to fight for everything we get."

SDSU almost gifted the Mavs a first-place tie, but the Jackrabbits managed to hold off Minnesota State-Mankato 90-88 at home Saturday. UNO will attempt to claim its first NCC title since the 1983-84 season this weekend hosting SDSU on Friday and Augustana on Saturday to close out the regular season. Two victories will give the Mavericks the outright conference title.

Tennis slams opponents

KYLE LYNN

Staff Writer

The Mavericks came back from a long road trip riding a three-match winning streak to then face off against Augustana Friday at Hanscom Park Tennis Center, UNO's home court.

UNO, determined to continue its winning streak destroyed Augustana, winning 8-1. The Mavs swept the three doubles spots and lost only one singles match. UNO improved its record to 5-2, taking its second win at home and handed Augustana a loss for its first match of the season.

The No. 1 singles player, senior Sara Batchelor, topped her opponent 6-2, 6-4 picking up her fourth singles win of the season. Senior Anna Ristic also picked up her fourth singles win of the season and is undefeated in singles matches. She defeated her opponent 6-3, 6-1 at the No. 4 spot. The two women lead the team in wins.

After losing her first four singles matches on the year, senior Mikaila Spalding picked up her first win at the No. 3 position, 6-3, 6-1.

Senior Lindsay Loveland and sophomore Elizabeth Glogowski competed in their first singles matches of the year. Loveland, at the No. 5 spot, defeated her

opponent in a tough match that went to a tiebreaker. She won her first set 6-1 then lost her second 2-6. She defeated her opponent in the tiebreaker 10-3. Glogowski easily defeated her opponent at the No. 6 position, 6-2, 6-1.

Sophomore Abby Wilson had a singles record of 2-2 and was playing at No. 2 for the first time of the season. She had two tough sets and fell to 2-3 on the season, losing 5-7, 3-6.

At the No. 1 doubles spot, freshman Maggie Russell and junior Pam Le were paired together for the first time. The Mavs had failed to win the No. 1 doubles spot yet this season. Russell and Le slammed their opponents in an 8-1 victory.

The No. 2 team of juniors Sarah Huls and Lindsay Henjum went in to the match undefeated as a team and remained so by winning 8-1.

Ristic and Loveland made up the No. 3 spot. They won their first doubles match as partners and Loveland's first doubles match of the season.

The Mavs hope to continue their domination over their opponents as they head into this weekend with three home matches. Friday they will host Graceland, Saturday they will battle against Nebraska-Kearney and Sunday they will match strengths with Sioux Falls.

UNO hockey team sinks to bottom

BRIAN BRASHAW

Staff writer

This year's UNO hockey club hit a new low last weekend, as the Mavericks not only collected zero points, they also scored zero goals.

Michigan State goalie and former Omaha Lancer Dominic Vacari made 56 saves in two games to lead his team to a 3-0, 5-0 sweep of the Mavericks. It was the first time since a conference road series last February that the Mavericks had been shut out in back-to-back games.

UNO is alone in last place as Lake Superior State took three points from Northern Michigan. They would need to sweep Alaska-Fairbanks next weekend and hope LSSU doesn't win any of its next four conference games to avoid finishing at the bottom for the first time. With just four total regular season games left, UNO would need to sweep the remaining four

games and win one Central Collegiate Hockey Association playoff game just to tie the worst record in program history.

Michigan State played steady Friday night, scoring one goal in each period for the 3-0 win. Ash Goldie, Jim Slater and Tom Goebel all scored on UNO goalie Chris Holt. Goldie scored the game winner, a power-play goal, at six minutes and 48 seconds of the first period.

Saturday night, the teams combined for 90 minutes in penalties. The Spartans didn't mark their first shot on goal until eight minutes and 20 seconds, but their first shot was the only one they needed. The goal by Colton Fretter gave Michigan State the win. Goebel added two goals and Mike Lalonde and Lee Falardeau also scored to give Spartans the 5-0 mark.

The Mavericks are home to finish their CCHA schedule next Friday and Saturday at the Qwest Center. Both games start at 7 p.m.



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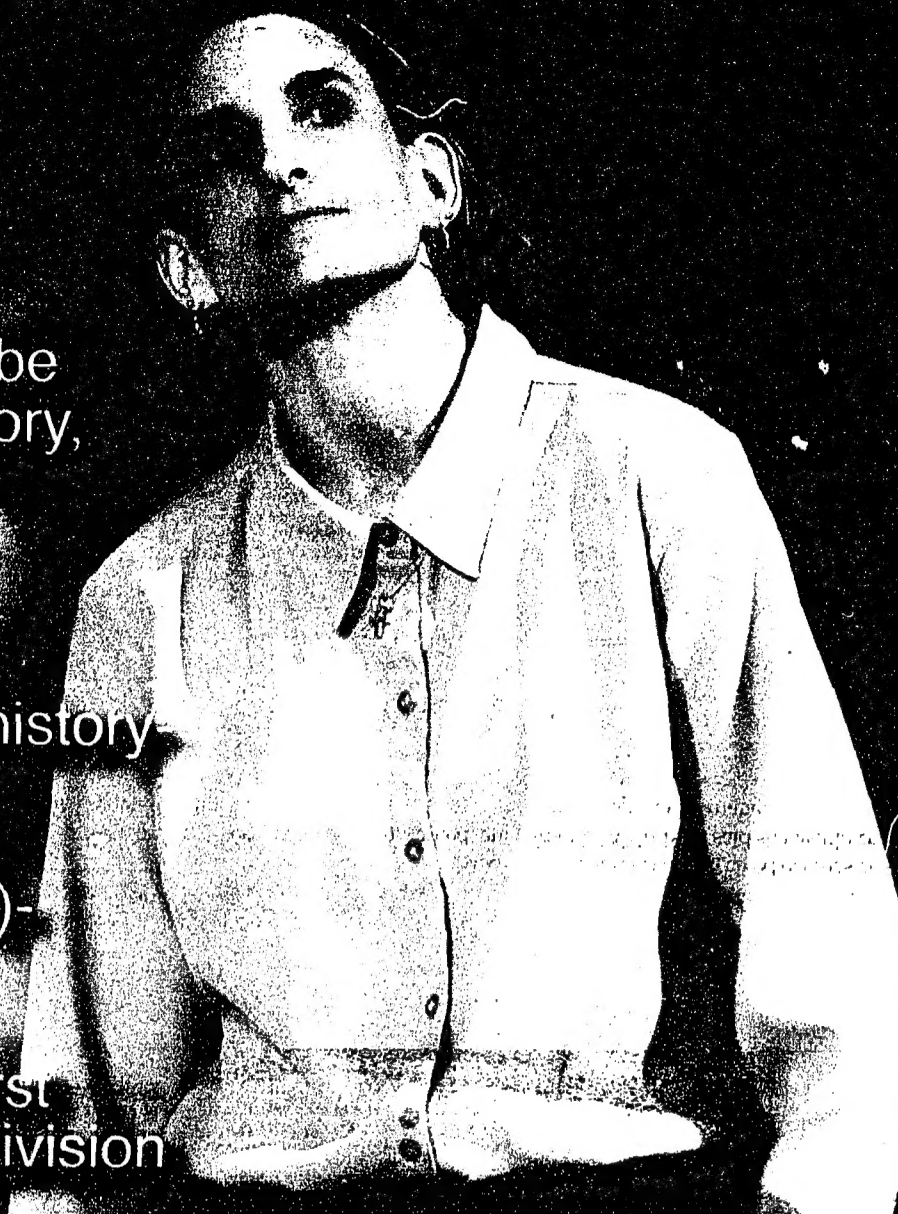
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Lisa Carlsen era 2000-2004

- 2000-2001 record 8-18 is the previous worst record in UNO history
- 2003-2004 record 5-10 will be the worst finish in UNO history, even if the team wins the season's last two games
- 2003-2004 0-12 is worst conference record in UNO history; second worst is 4-14
- Career record 26-73 (18-46)-worst in UNO history
- Only one Division II win-worst in history since joining the division



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Carlsen resigns after fourth season

PAUL FREELAND

Senior staff writer

Lisa Carlsen has called time on her tenure as head coach of UNO women's basketball.

Carlsen, currently in her fourth season in charge of the Mavericks, offered her resignation to Athletics Director Bob Danenhauer on Wednesday. Danenhauer accepted. The Earlring, Iowa, native will remain on the bench for the team's final two games on Friday and Saturday.

Carlsen said her decision was reached after consulting with her husband.

"It's something I'd thought about for a while," Carlsen said. "My husband and I talked it over and we decided it was a move that would be good for him and good for me. We thought it was a good time to make this decision and we acted on it."

Danenhauer indicated in a Wednesday evening press release that the search for a new head coach would begin immediately.

Carlsen graduated from Northwest Missouri State in 1992, earning all-conference honors four times in basketball and once in softball. Her coaching career started in softball as she guided Omaha's College of St. Mary's to a 107-30 record from 1994-97 and Wayne State (Neb.) to a 13-21 record in one season. Carlsen was named as an assistant coach for UNO women's basketball in 1998 and eventually took the head coaching job after Paula Buscher left the Mavs to coach Bradley University.

Success at UNO was much harder to come by for Carlsen, though. The Mavericks are 36-72 under Carlsen's watch and 18-46 in the North Central Conference, a conference that produced nine of the last 13 Division II national

champions. The Mavs reached the postseason once in that time, finishing fifth in 2003 before losing at North Dakota State in the NCC tournament. Every other season carried an eighth place finish.

Carlsen said breaking the news to her players was the most difficult.

"The toughest part is talking with the team," Carlsen said. "It wasn't easy, but I never expected it to be easy. I'm with these kids every day and I care a great deal about them. We still have two games left, though, and we have to keep our focus until the end."

The 2003-04 season was never going to be easy with no seniors and only three juniors on the Maverick roster. The young squad grew thinner throughout the season as juniors Chelsie Groslie and Raina Tasa were ruled out through injury while Haley Fries was injured

while playing soccer for UNO and Tracie Hemphill left the program to return to Texas.

Carlsen, who received her master's degree from UNO in 1994, said she would cherish the time she spent in Omaha.

"There's no doubt I'm going to leave UNO with fond memories," Carlsen said. "I've spent a lot of time here at different levels of my career. I've made a lot of friends and met a lot of people I respect a great deal. Change is sometimes good, but it's never easy. Sometimes you have to do what you think is best."

In Carlsen's final two games before she announced her resignation, she recorded two more losses. The Mavs nearly turned in an upset over North Dakota Friday night, but crumbled in the end once again, losing 70-58. The next evening, the Mavs lost convincingly 94-69 to North Dakota State.



December 5

Haley Fries broke her leg during soccer team's Final Four game. Chelsie Groslie was also injured earlier in the season and both players missed the entire season.



January 10

UNO lost to South Dakota State 104-63



January 17

Mavs lost to North Dakota 103-52, a 51-point loss. For the second time in three games they gave up 100-plus.



February 14

Raina Tasa played her last game due to a knee injury. Mavs lost 10th straight game, 14th consecutive on the road.



February 17

UNO beat Doane (NAIA) to snap 10-game losing streak. UNO still holds a 20-game losing streak against Division II opponents.